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SUBJECT: GOE PROPOSES NEW MODEL FOR ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE

Classified By: Ambassador Margaret Scobey for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d)

1. (C) Key Points: -- The GOE sees the current U.S. administration's desire to transform the bilateral relationship as an opportunity to reviv
2. (C) On August 17, the Minister of International Cooperation (MIC) Fayza Aboul Naga presented to USAID a revised version of an August 8 upda
3. (C) On August 24, USAID Director, USAID Program Officer and ECON Counselor accompanied a USAID strategy design team when it debriefed Aboul
- 4.(C) Aboul Naga asserted that there is an "apparent contradiction" in USG reluctance to phase out economic assistance while simultaneously avc
5. (C) USAID noted that the GOE proposal formed a good basis for discussion, but cautioned that the proposal raised a number of issues that wc
6. (C) In a subsequent meeting August 27, USAID Controller, Legal Counsel, and Program Officer along with strategy consultant attended the Aug
10. Post-Cairo Speech Plans -----
17. (C) Aboul Naga claimed in the August 24 meeting that the U.S. already had agreed that all \$40 million in FY 2009 funds identified to suppor
18. (C) These and other recent exchanges highlight the continuing differences between what the USG may be able and willing to support with appri
19. (SBU) The Ambassador and USAID Director will see Minister Aboul Naga on September 9 to begin the effort of bringing MIC views closer to rea